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## Box Amendment

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In re application of: NAKAMURA et al.  
Application. No.: 10/720,177  
Filing Date: November 25, 2003  
Atty. Docket No. US-110  
Title: Method for Producing L-Glutamine and L-Glutamine  
Producing Bacterium

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Please find enclosed:

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